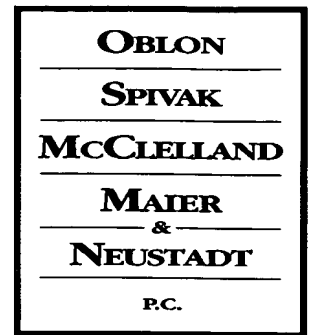




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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/670,320

Applicants: Yohichiroh WATANABE, et al.

Filing Date: September 26, 2003

For: TONER, DEVELOPER INCLUDING THE TONER,
AND METHOD FOR FIXING TONER IMAGE

Group Art Unit: 1756

Examiner: DOTE

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Letter; Copy of Date-Stamped Filing Receipts (3) December 30, 2003, September 26, 2003, and May 31, 2005; Copy of Letter as filed May 31, 2005;

Our credit card payment form in the amount of \$-0- is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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LETTER

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SIR:

In response to point 2 at page 2 of the Office Action dated April 12, 2006, Applicants submit herewith a copy of the date-stamped filing receipt of December 30, 2003; showing that copies of the co-pending applications were submitted. Thus, the Examiner is requested to consider the co-pending applications submitted on December 30, 2003.

In response to point 4 at page 3 of the Office Action, Applicants submit herewith a copy of the date-stamped filing receipt of September 26, 2003; showing that copies of the co-pending applications were submitted. Thus, the Examiner is requested to consider the co-pending applications submitted on September 26, 2003.

In addition, Applicants wish to draw the Examiners' attention to the Letter filed May 31, 2005, in which Applicants already addressed the List of Related Cases filed September 26, 2003. On May 31, 2005, a copy of the date-stamped filing receipt of September 26, 2003, was filed together with the Letter. For the Examiners' convenience, a copy of the date-

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stamped filing receipt of May 31, 2005 and the Letter as filed May 31, 2005, are enclosed herewith. Please note the paragraph bridging pages 1 and 2 of the Letter as filed.

On November 29, 2005, Applicants had submitted additional courtesy copies of the same co-pending applications as already submitted on September 26, 2003.

A response on the merits of the Office Action will be filed soon.

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